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In 1997, the Southwest Area had 1 Type I and 4 Type II Incident Management Teams. The Type I team was lead by Gary Loving of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests. The Type II teams were led by Jerome Macdonald (Cibola NF), Jim Hibbetts (Cibola NF), Ted Moore (Coronado NF), and Larry Anderson (Kaibab NF) and Glen Joki (Phoenix District, BLM).

As you can see from the table below, there were no Type I team assignments and only one Type II team assignment within the Southwest Area. In addition, there were no Type I or Type II team assignments out of the Southwest Area for 1997.

Southwest Area Assignments

Incident Name	Agency	Unit	Start Date	Control Date	Final Acres	Type Team	Incident Commander
Mt. Graham Complex	FS	CNF	07/08	07/15	50	II	Moore/Hense 1

Out-of-Area Assignments

Incident Name	Agency	Unit	Start Date	Control Date	Final Acres	Type Team	Incident Commander
None							



Type I Crews

In 1997, there were 17 Type I 'Interagency Hotshot' crews in the Southwest Area, 10 in Arizona and 7 in New Mexico. The primary agencies hosting these crews were the USDA Forest Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

<u>Arizona</u>		<u>New Mexico</u>	
Heber	ASF	Carson	CAF
Blue Ridge	COF	Silver City	GNF
Flagstaff	COF	Negrito	GNF
Mormon Lake	COF	Smokey Bear	LNF
Fort Apache	FTA	Sacramento	LNF
Prescott	PNF	Mescalero	MEA
Geronimo	SCA	Santa Fe	SNF
Globe	TNF		
Payson	TNF		
Pleasant Valley	TNF		

Type II crews

In the Southwest Area in 1997, there were 120 plus organized Type II Southwest Fire Fighter (SWFF) crews. The majority of these crews came from the White Mountain Apache, Navajo, Hopi, Hualapai, Yavapai Apache, Tohono O'Odham, San Carlos, Jicarilla, Concho, Mescalero, Black Mesa, Santo Domingo, Jemez, Zia, Zuni, Acoma, Laguna, San Felipe, Isleta, and Ramah Indian tribes in Arizona, New Mexico, and Oklahoma. Each crew has a crew boss, three squad bosses, and a crew representative when on assignment.

In addition to the Indian crews, the Southwest Area also provides Type II crews from commercial contract services, as well as crews made up of regular federal employees.

Type I Crew Assignments (Out of Zone)

During the 1997 fire season, the Southwest Area Type I crews were assigned to a number of incidents throughout the southwest and other areas of the western United States. The following chart indicates the number and location of assignments outside of their respective Zone. Please note that a crew could have multiple assignments within a state.

Crew Name	Number of Assignments	State					
Blue Ridge	7	AZ	CA				UT
Carson	9	AZ	CA	NM			UT
Flagstaff	8	AZ	CA	NM	NV		
Fort Apache	9	AZ	CA	NM			UT
Geronimo	7	AZ	CA	NM	NV		
Globe	4	AZ	CA	NV			
Heber	5	AZ	CA	NM	NV		
Mescalero	9	AZ	CA	NM			
Mormon Lake	6	AZ	CA				UT
Negrito	2		CA	NM			
Payson	3	AZ	CA	NV			
Pleasant Valley	7	AZ	CA		NV		
Prescott	3		CA				UT
Sacramento	4	AZ	CA	NM			
Santa Fe	5	AZ	CA	NM			UT
Silver City	1		CA				
Smokey Bear	4	AZ	CA	NM			
Total	93	27	34	20	6	6	

Type II Crew Assignments (Out of Zone)

The fire season of 1997 did not provide the opportunity to assign a number of Southwest Area Firefighter (SWFF) crews to incidents. The following chart indicates the number and location of assignments for those crews that did receive an assignment outside of their respective Zone. Please note that a crew could have multiple assignments within a state.

Crew Name	Number of Assignments	States				
Acoma	1				NM	
CAZ Regulars	1		CA			
Flagstaff Regulars	1	AZ				
Fort Apache	2	AZ				
Hopi	3	AZ				
Hualapai	1	AZ				
Laguna	1					
Magdalena	1				NM	
Navajo	2	AZ				
Navajo Scouts	7	AZ				UT
San Carlos	4	AZ				
San Felipe	1				NM	
Yavapai-Apache	1		CA			
Total Assignments	27	19	3	4		1

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Prescott Fire Cache

The Prescott National Interagency Support Cache is located approximately 8 miles north of Prescott, AZ at the Prescott Fire Center and Henry Y. H. Kim Aviation Facility.

Administered by the Prescott National Forest, the cache's service area includes Arizona, the southern portions of Utah and Nevada, as well as the southern edge of California.

The cache services suppression and pre-suppression orders from a wide variety of Federal and state agencies. Cooperators include the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, as well as the states of Arizona, Utah, California, and the country of Mexico.

The 1997 fire season was one of low to moderate activity. The Prescott Cache supported three type II incidents in addition to 206 other incidents, ranging from search and rescue to flood relief efforts.

Suppression Orders

Agency	Amount Issued	Number of Incidents	Percent of Total
USFS	656,170.94	49	63
BLM	60,328.20	23	6
BIA	106,051.45	14	10
NPS	45,577.91	6	4.5
States	162,646.43	6	16
FWS	4,488.06	3	.5
Total	1,035,262.99	100	

Pre-suppression Orders

Agency	Amount Issued	Number of Incidents	Percent of Total
USFS	40,510.71	60	36.5
BLM	4,435.48	7	4
BIA	32,369.01	6	29
NPS	13,952.70	21	12.5
States	17,967.94	8	16
FWS	1,931.64	6	2
Total	111,167.48	108	100

Silver City Fire Cache

The Silver City Fire Cache is located about 20 miles south of Silver City, New Mexico at the Grant County Airport. The cache is administered through the Gila National Forest in Silver City, NM. The geographic area of coverage for the cache includes New Mexico, western Texas, and southeast Arizona. The cache operates out of 6 buildings, 4 old semi-trailers, and 3 portable buildings.

The 1997 season was a fairly slow season compared to past seasons. The bulk of the caches business was in support of multiple initial attack. The cache did, however, issue two mobile support cache vans to type III incidents. In addition, the cache supported the Lummis prescribed natural fire on the Bandelier National Monument and the floods in Region 9 of the USDA Forest Service.

The Cache is involved in both suppression and pre-suppression orders. Cooperator agencies supported by the cache include the Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fish and Wildlife Service, as well as the States of New Mexico, Arizona, and Texas.

Suppression Orders

Agency	Amount Issued	Number of Incidents	Percent of Total
USFS		--	--
BLM		--	--
BIA		--	--
NPS		--	--
States		--	--
USFW		--	--
Total			100

Pre-suppression Orders

Total Ordered	636
Pounds Shipped	235,415
Cubes shipped	20,255
Dollars of Inventory	\$2,834,269
Dollar Issues	\$1,273,681

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Southwest Coordination Center
Albuquerque, NM

Logistical coordination through the Southwest Coordination Center (SWCC) was minimal for the 1997 fire season. Only 1,289 requests for resources were processed through the Center, making it one of the lowest output seasons in recent past. Of this figure, 128 were canceled and 32 could not be filled. Thus, a total of 1,129 orders were filled (i.e. 88 percent).

On April 1, 1997, SWCC posted the Southwest Area's Wildland Fire Operations Web Site on the Internet. The site, one of the first sites established by a Geographic Area Coordination Center, was developed by the Intelligence Section to provide a quick, one-stop shopping location for information and intelligence for the general public, fire managers, and firefighting personnel.

In May, Dusty Voss joined the SWCC staff as an Area Coordinator. Dusty comes from the BLM Office in Roswell, NM, where he was the District Logistics Coordinator. In June, I arrived to assumed the duties as Center Director. My most recent position was at Francis Marion & Sumter National Forest where I was the Liaison to the U. S. Army at Fort Jackson in Columbia, South Carolina. I officially took on the duties of the Center Director at the end of July when John Burton, former Center Director, retired. Upon arrival, Dusty and I have joined the existing staff at SWCC which includes Area Coordinator's Steve Makowski (USFS), Ron Matt (BIA), Dave Boyd (BLM-Arizona), and Intelligence Coordinator Jay Ellington (NPS).

Throughout the summer months, the first components of the IBM615 system were installed in SWCC in preparation for full implementation throughout the USDA Forest Service during calendar years 1998 and 1999. Significant changes are expected in the operations of SWCC over the next several years as a result of this implementation process.

John Schulte
Center Director

Resource Dispatches Through SWCC

Overhead

• Total Requests	766
• Requests Filled	616
• Incident Management Teams (Type I)	0
• Incident Management Teams (Type II)	1

Aircraft

• Total Requests	275
• Requests Filled	233
• Air Tankers.....	82
• Single Engine Air Tankers	1
• Lead Planes	32
• Helicopters	10
• Air Attacks	4
• Temporary Flight Restrictions	43
• Other	103

Crews

• Total Requests	141
• Requests Filled	130
• Type I Crews.....	102
• Type II Crews.....	28
• Other Crews.....	0

Equipment and Supplies

• Total Equipment and Supplies Requested	61
• Total Equipment and Supplies Filled	35
• Engine Orders filled	16

Resource Dispatches through SWCC to Out-of-Area Assignments

Overhead

• Total requests	309
• Requests Cancelled	67
• Couldn't Fill	38
• Assigned	204

Crews

• Type I	
• Total Requests	41
• Requests Cancelled	1
• Couldn't Fill	1
• Assigned	39
• Type II	
• Total Requests	5
• Requests Cancelled	0
• Couldn't Fill	0
• Assigned	5

Equipment

• Engines	
• Total Requests	0
• Requests Cancelled	0
• Couldn't Fill	0
• Assigned	0
• Other Equipment/Supplies	
• Total Requests	4
• Requests Cancelled	0
• Couldn't Fill	0
• Assigned	4

Resource Dispatches through SWCC from Out-of-Area to SWA Assignments

Overhead

• Total Requested	204
• Assigned	204

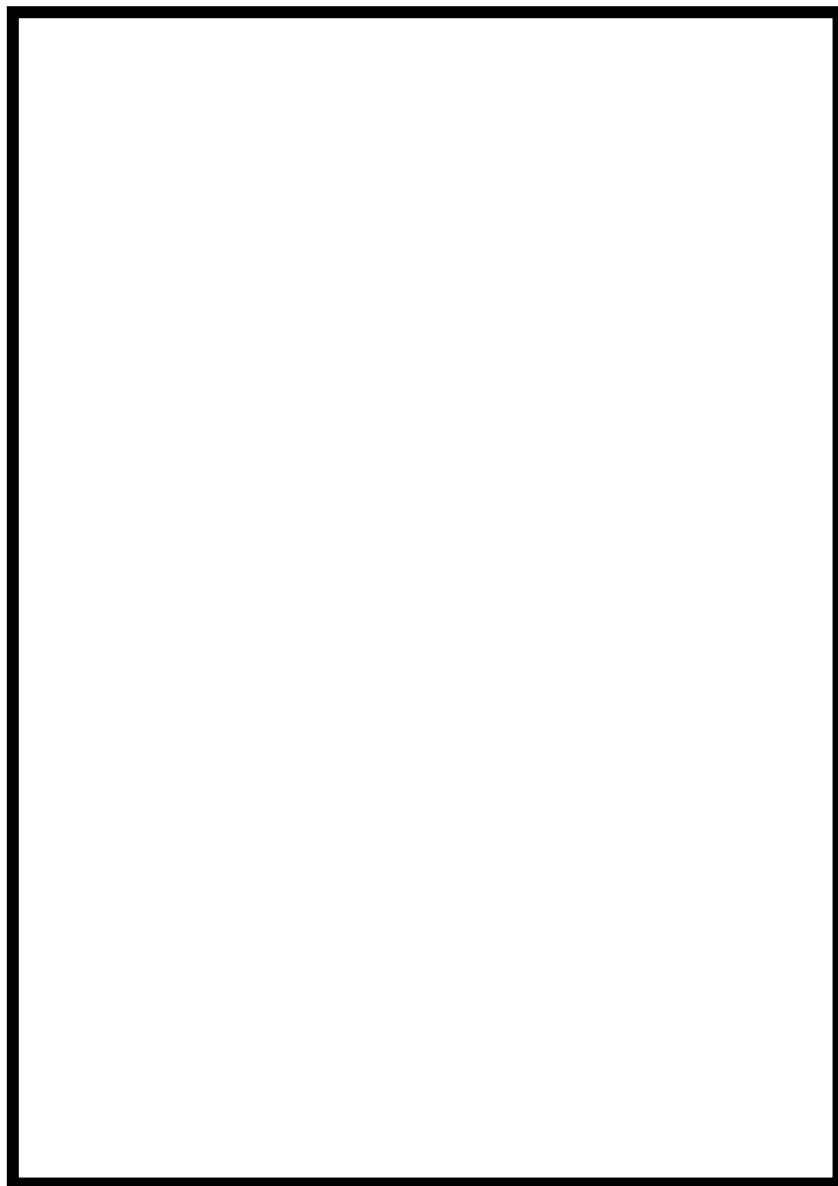
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• Type I	
• Total Requested	8
• Assigned	7
• Type II	
• Total Requested	0
• Assigned	0

Equipment

- Engines
 - Total Requested 3
 - Assigned 3

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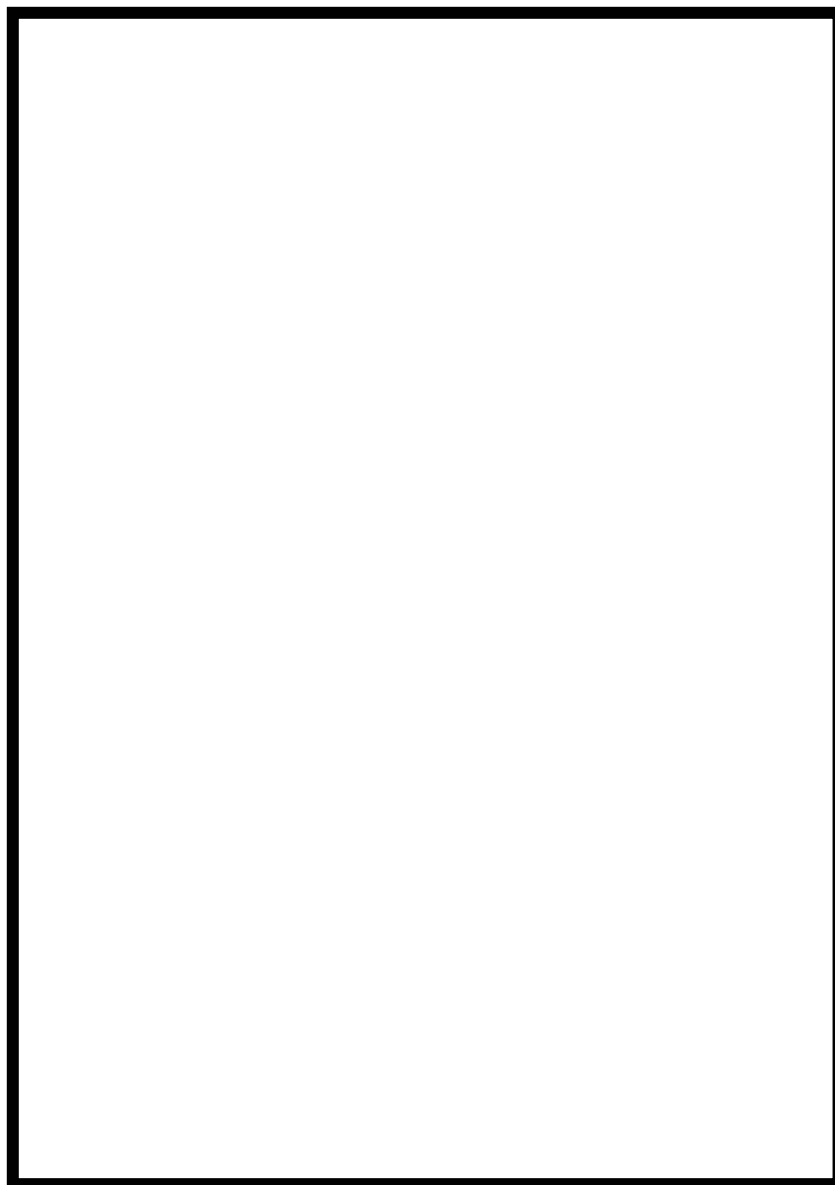
Air Tanker Retardant Base Report

The table below indicates the amount of fire retardant used within the Southwest Area during 1997.

Zone	Unit	Base Pumped	Total Gallons
ABZ	CIF	Albuquerque	70,880
CAZ	TNF	Phoenix	32,560
	PNF	Prescott	116,390
	PHD	Portable	21,825
GLZ	GNF	Silver City	159,300
LNZ	LNF	Alamogordo	23,050
	ROD	Roswell	0
SEZ	CNF	Bisbee	297,000
	SAD	Safford (Mobile Base)	29,907
WMZ	FTA	Whiteriver	64,902
	ASF	Winslow	59,902
Southwest Area Total			875,716

1996 Total 4,629,152
1995 Total 3,576,452
1994 Total 6,460,621

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Three Letter Unit Identifiers

Geographic Area Coordination Center

Southwest Coordination
Center SWC

Fire Caches

Prescott Fire Cache PFK Silver City SFK

Southwest Area Coordination Zones

Arizona

Central Arizona Zone CAZ
White Mountain Zone WMZ
Southeast Arizona Zone SEZ
Colorado River Zone CRZ
Flagstaff Zone FLZ
Grand Canyon Zone GCZ

New Mexico

Albuquerque Zone ABZ
Lincoln Zone LNZ
Gila/Las Cruces Zone GLZ
Santa Fe Zone SNZ
Taos Zone TAZ

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Arizona

Phoenix Area Office PAO
Colorado River Agency CRA
Fort Apache Agency FTA
Fort Yuma Agency FYA
Hopi Agency HOA
Pima Agency PMA
Papago Agency PPA
Salt River Agency SRA
San Carlos Agency SCA
Truxton Canon Agency TCA
Navajo Area Office NAO

New Mexico

Albuquerque Area Office AAO
Jicarilla Agency JIA
Laguna Agency LAA
Mescalero Agency MEA
Northern Pueblos Agency NPA
Ramah Navajo Agency RNA
Southern Pueblos Agency SPA
Zuni Agency ZUA

Bureau of Land Management

Arizona

Arizona State Office ASO
Arizona Strip Field Off. ASD
Phoenix Field Office PHD
Safford Field Office SAD
Yuma Field Office YUD

New Mexico

New Mexico State Office NSO
Albuquerque District ABD
Las Cruces District LCD
Roswell District ROD
Farmington District FAD

U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Arizona

Buenos Aires NWR	BAR
Cibola NWR	CBR
Cabeza Prieta NWR	CPR
Havasú NWR	HVR
Imperial NWR	IMR
Kofa NWR	KGR
San Bernardino NWR	SBR

Texas

Buffalo Lake NWR	BFR
Muleshoe NWR	MLR

New Mexico

Southwest Reg. Office	SWR
Bosque Del Apache NWR	BDR
Bitter Lake NWR	BLR
Grulla NWR	GRR
Las Vegas NWR	LVR
Maxwell NWR	MXR
Sevilleta NWR	SER
San Andreas NWR	SNR
Buffalo Lake NWR	BFR
Optima NWR	OPR

Forest Service

Arizona

Apache-Sitgreaves NF's	ASF
Coronado NF	CNF
Coconino NF	COF
Kaibab NF	KNF
Prescott NF	PNF
Tonto NF	TNF

New Mexico

Carson NF	CAF
Cibola NF	CIF
Gila NF	GNF
Lincoln NF	LNF
Santa Fe NF	SNF
Southwestern Reg. Office	RO3

National Park Service

Arizona

Canyon De Chelly NM	CAP
Casa Grande NM	CGP
Chiricahua NM	CHP
Coronado NM	COP
Fort Bowie NHS	FBP
Grand Canyon NP	GCP
Hohokam Pima NM	HPP
Hubbell Trading Post NHS	HTP
Montesuma Castle NM	MCP
Navajo NM	NAP
Organ Pipe Cactus NM	ORP
Petrified Forest NP	PFP
Pipe Spring NM	PIP
Saguaro NP	SAP
Sunset Crater NM	SUP

New Mexico

Southwest Regional Office	SWP
Aztec Ruins NM	AZP
Bandelier NM	BAP
Capulin Volcano NM	CAP
Carlsbad Caverns NP	CCP
Chaco Culture NM	CHP
El Malpais NM	EMP
El Morro NM	ELP
Gila Cliff Dwellings NM	GIP
Pecos NM	PEP
Petroglyphs NM	PGP
Salinas Pueblo Missions NM	SPP
White Sands NM	WHP

Arizona Continued

Texas

Southern Arizona Group	SGP	Big Bend NP	BBP
Tonto NM	TOP	Chamizal NM	CHP
Tumacacori NM	TUP	Fort Davis NHP	FDP
Tuzigoot NM	TZP	Guadalupe Mountains NP	GUP
Walnut Canyon NM	WAP	Lake Meredith NRA	LAP
Wupatki Nat'l. Mon.	WUP	Rio Grande W&SR	RGP

State of Arizona

Phoenix District	A1S
Flagstaff District	A2S
Tucson District	A3S

State of New Mexico

Chama District	N1S	Las Vegas	N4S
Cimarron District	N2S	Capitan District	N5S
Socorro District	N3S	Bernalillo District	N6S

